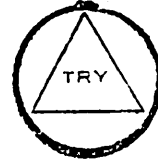


I am informed it is now
being bound for distribution.
In some ways this is unfortunate
as it leads to the impression that
his rather extensive claims are
sanctioned by the Society, whereas
he has operated entirely on his own
initiative.

Fraternally yours
Edward H. Bacon



MEMORIAL

Nov. 23, 1917

Henry Marston
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Dear frater, -

I'm looking over some old
papers today. I found a
communication from Brother Dowd
when he was in Hempstead, Texas.

I think he has a son located
near Hempstead; the son was not
interested in philosophy.

As Brother Dowd once owned
a small piece of land in that vicinity,
you may be able to secure further
information by making inquiries
in this direction.

Brother Dowd had a brother named R. R. Dowd who lived at one time at 19 State St. Milwaukee, Wis.

I have not the date of his death but he was instructed by Randolph and was a member of the High Council of the Rose Cross.

Upon his death I was selected to take his place in the Council and my selection was approved by one who was living at the time nearly 90 years of age, one who was recognized by both Randolph and Dowd as of higher spiritual authority than either of them, the one to whom "Evolution of Immortality" was dedicated and who was recognized by them all as the nearest spiritual representative on earth of "The Virgin of the World".

It was my knowledge of the existence of this individual which first startled Brother Dowd into special attention to me; as such knowledge has always been kept secret and could only reach me from within.

Few indeed know even of the existence of the "Nameless One" and it is best that I stop there and that you forget.

Brother Dowd was extremely impractical in business matters and disinclined to bother with details.

He left with Brother Goldthwaite a mss. of the book entitled "The Way" which I had been unable to publish because of exhaustion of funds due to the expense I had already incurred in the publication of his other works.

Brother Goldthwaite advanced a little money to Brother Dowd and to recoup himself, he has turned it over to R. T. Clymer for publication.